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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

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For: Inducing Cellular Immune Responses to Hepatitis B Virus Using Peptide Compositions

Inventors: SETTE et al.

Our Ref: 2473.0060008/PAJ/LMB

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
- 2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 with Exhibit 1 attached; and
- Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the extension of time fee (small entity).

The above-listed documents are filed electronically through EFS-Web.

In the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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